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For: LOW-EMISSION FLOOR COVERING )

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENTAssistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Please amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 3, 4, 6, 7, 10, 11, 13, 15-17 as follows:

3. (Amended) Floor covering as claimed in Claim [1 or 2] 1, wherein the polyolefin is selected from among the class of VLD PE polymers.

ai 4. (Amended) Floor covering as claimed in [any one of Claims 1 to 3] Claim 1, wherein the polyolefin is a mixture of at least two ethylene copolymers, wherein the ethylene copolymer mixture comprises a copolymer (a) as the main polymer with a density of  $0.89 - 0.91 \text{ g/cm}^3$  and a copolymer (b) to control rheology and elasticity with a density of  $0.86 - 0.88 \text{ g/cm}^3$  and an MFI  $> 3$ .